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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment  
National Intelligence Officer for China

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Vice President's China Trip ☐

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On 31 July 1979 I spoke to the Vice President about his trip to China and what we could do to help him. He indicated he would very much like a briefing from us. He said he would provide us in writing a list of the things he was most interested in. On the spot he mentioned the status of Deng Xiaoping and the Soviet military buildup in the area. Denis Clift was with us. I suggest in three or four days John give Denis a call and ask him for the specific list of topics. I think we should then throw together a combination of written materials that we have which he could take with him and read on the plane and prepare an oral briefing in addition. I gave him the China Atlas. ☐

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